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The Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin has been awarded a three-year grant to develop a strategic plan from the Administration of Native Americans (ANA) a division of The Department of Health & Human Services. This grant will provide the Menominee Tribal Legislature with an opportunity to strategically design and plan its unique futuristic vision along with the involvement of community members of the Tribe. As part of a goal to gain community involvement and ownership of the strategic plan; an Art Contest was held for local Menominee artists to design a logo as an identification piece to recognize the significance of the strategic planning process and what we need to focus on and strive toward. The contest was judged by Lynnette Miller, Menominee Tribal Gaming Commission, Yvette Snow, Licensing & Permit Director and Devan Miller, Menominee Nation News Manager on Wednesday, May 11, 2005 at the Menominee Tribal Offices. All artwork was displayed and the chosen winner of the contest is Anthony Gauthier.

Anthony designed the logo with the following statement included depicting the theme of strategic planning; "Unity is coming together to join as one large happy family and enjoy its great culture. The two young married couple represents us; so we must retain our past heritage, besides we must live in the present and deal with the challenges it brings". Heartfelt thanks go out to the artists who submitted their drawings! Participants will receive a gift as a token of appreciation for their talented artworks and statements that they had provided.